

to construct their roads and branches or any part thereof within the time required by law."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.  
Committee Room,

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 31, being "An Act authorizing the appointment of temporary guardians of minors and their estates, regulating their duties and requirements, and the practice in relation thereto,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.  
Committee Room,

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 33, being "An Act to amend Article 2956 of Chapter 1, Title LV, Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, providing that all persons desirous of marrying in this state shall procure license authorizing its celebration and declaring all marriages contracted, entered into or celebrated in any other manner null and void,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.  
Committee Room,

Austin, Tex., Jan. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 35, being "An Act to amend Article 917 of Title X, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.  
Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 36, being "An Act to authorize the Supreme Court and the several justices thereof to issue writs of habeas corpus in certain cases,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Jan. 24, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate Substitute bill No. 12 being "An Act to compel all corporations in this State, owning, leasing, or operating in cities or towns of over five thousand population street railways, electric lighting or power plants furnishing light and power to the public; gas plant furnishing gas to the public, or water plant furnishing water to the public, to file annual reports and providing penalties for the violations of the provisions of this act,"

And find the same correctly engrossed.

BARRETT, Chairman.

#### APPENDIX B.

##### SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Hawkins:

Resolution of thanks to Daughters of the Republic et al.

Whereas, By an act of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, an appropriation has been made to purchase the Alamo buildings; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas, in the name of the people of the State, thank the Daughters of the Republic of Texas and those who have aided them in their untiring work in the cause, especially Miss Clara Driscoll, Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher, Mrs. Anson Jones, Mrs. Marie B. Urwitz, Mrs. J. J. McKeever, Jr., Mrs. Cornelia B. Stone, Mrs. Charles Milby, Mrs. Walter Gresham, Mrs. James B. Dibrell, Mrs. Cone Johnson, Mrs. A. B. Looscan and Judge Clarence Martin, for the unselfish patriotism which has animated them in their endeavors to preserve unto future generations the historic place where heroes fell, when in the war between Mexico and Texas this land of ours was wrested from the Mexican government by the grace of God and the strong arm of the Republic.

And be it further resolved, That a separate page of the Journal be reserved for this resolution, and a copy be sent to each chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

The resolution was adopted.

##### FOURTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Texas,

Thursday, Jan. 26, 1905.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, President Pro Tem. Hanger in the chair.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Barrett.	Hawkins.
Brachfield.	Hicks.
Chambers.	Hill.
Davidson.	Looney.
Decker.	Martin.
Faulk.	McKamy.
Faust.	Paulus.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Smith.
Grinnan.	Stafford.
Hale.	Stokes.
Hanger.	Stone.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Harper.	Willacy.

Absent.

Beaty.

Absent—Excused.

Holland.

Meachum.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Hill the same was dispensed with.

(See appendix for Standing Committee reports.)

#### PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

Senator Stokes offered the following memorial:

To the Honorable Legislature of Texas, in Session January, 1905:

The Daughters of the Confederacy of the State of Texas have undertaken the duty of respectfully requesting of your honorable body that you pass an act making the third day of June of each year, the birthday of the Hon. ex-President Jefferson Davis, a legal holiday for the State of Texas.

We ask only one day in each year, when attention shall be called to the grand struggle made by the South for liberty and self-government; when succeeding generations should be correctly instructed as to the motives and deeds of a noble ancestry; when the truth of history shall be called to attention.

Such a struggle should not be forgotten. The heroic deeds of the Southland should be cherished by every true Southern boy and girl; and no better way or more fitting opportunity can be afforded than naming the birthday of that noble patriot and statesman, the first, last and only President and commander-in-chief of all our armies of the Confederate States, as a legal holiday. Thus we honor him, and in so doing we honor every soldier who fought our battles; and as well, we honor ourselves.

Mrs. D. A. Nunn, Chairman of Com-

mittee; Katie Daffan, President Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. W. J. Crawford, First Vice President Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. Z. T. Fulmore, Custodian Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. F. L. Jordan, President Julia Jackson Chapter, Fort Worth; Mrs. E. Lydnor, Robert E. Lee Chapter, Houston; Mrs. Lee Cotten, Barnard E. Bee Chapter, San Antonio; Mrs. J. L. Rucker, Mildred Lee Chapter, Lampasas; Mrs. J. B. Wilhanie, Third Vice President Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. S. H. Watson, Hist Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. E. J. Price, President John H. Reagan Chapter, U. D. C.; Mrs. Eva Hughes, Bell County Chapter 101; Mrs. James Morton White, Baylor College, Belton; Mrs. Val C. Giles, Albert Sydney Johnston; Mrs. F. F. T. Rucker, Sam D. Saunders, Georgetown; Miss Johnnie Harbison, Martha Stout, Cisco; Miss Charlie Thompson, Tibe Cabell, Decatur; Mrs. Seth P. Mills, G. B. Gerald U. D. C., Waco; Mrs. G. L. Adkisson, Sims-Watson Chapter; Mrs. Fred Cox, Spruill, Hillsboro Chapter; Mrs. W. A. Harrell, Dallas Chapter; Mrs. R. C. Schindler, Lone Fort Chapter; Mrs. Louella Styles, Vincent, Cary W. Styles Chapter; Mrs. Emma Overstreet Jetty, Dallas Chapter; Miss Floride Norwood, Handsboro Chapter; Mrs. T. C. Westbrook, T. N. Wall Chapter; Randle Miller, Aide to General W. P. Lane; Mrs. A. C. Johnson, Treasurer Texas Division, U. D. C.; Mrs. W. T. Baugh, Treasurer Widows' Home fund; Mrs. Cone Johnson, Mollie E. Moore Davis Chapter; M. A. N. Tandy, Bosque County Chapter 372; Mrs. T. H. Elgin, President Marshall Chapter 412; Mrs. Ediom Moore, Vice President Texas Division; Mrs. William A. Banks, President L. S. Ross Chapter, Bryan; Mrs. Horton Bates, President O. M. Roberts Chapter, Houston; Mrs. L. J. Storey, Albert Sydney Johnston Chapter; Sims-Watson Chapter U. D. C., per Mrs. Watson; Mrs. Lane, Secretary U. D. C.; Mrs. J. H. Wooten, President D. A. Nunn Chapter, Crockett; Mrs. A. R. Howard, Benedetto-Tobin Chapter, Palestine.

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

(Bills.)

By Senator Glasscock:

Senate bill No. 134, a bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal all of Articles 1010c, 1010d, 1010e, 1010f, 1010g and 1010h, Title XVIII, Chapter 13 of the Penal Code of Texas."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Decker:

Senate bill No. 135, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3381 of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1895, relating to the granting of license to dealers in intoxicating liquors and to provide for the granting of license by order of the commissioners court."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Hanger:

Senate bill No. 136, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 3380 and 5060g of the Revised Statutes of Texas of 1895, regulating bonds of liquor dealers."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Looney (by request):

Senate bill No. 137, a bill to be entitled "An Act for the promotion of medical science by the distribution and use of unclaimed human bodies for scientific purposes through a board created for that purpose, and to prevent unauthorized uses and traffic in human bodies and to legalize dissections and experiments by authorized persons."

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Senators Paulus and Smith:

Senate bill No. 138, a bill to be entitled "An Act to define the business of a railway ticket broker and to license and to regulate such business, and to provide a penalty to enforce the provisions of this act, and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

(Resolutions.)

By Senator Looney—Senate Joint Resolution No. 3 to amend Section 20 of Article 16 of the Constitution of the State of Texas.

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

MORNING CALL CONCLUDED.

PENDING BUSINESS—SENATE BILL NO. 44.

The Chair laid before the Senate, as pending business, on its second reading Senate bill No. 44, a bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit any person, firm or association of persons, agents or employees of such person, firm, association of persons who are engaged in the occupation or business of storing or keeping for others spirituous, vinous or intoxicating liquors, within any county, justice precinct, subdivision of a county, town or city within this State, wherein the sale of spirituous,

vinous and intoxicating liquors has been prohibited according to law, from allowing any vinous, spirituous or intoxicating liquors to be drank within said place of business, and providing a penalty therefor."

The amendment offered by Senator Stafford on yesterday was withdrawn, and

Action was then on the following pending amendment offered by Senator Decker on yesterday:

Amend the bill by adding after the word "one," line 22 of the bill, the words "under the age of 21 years."

Pending discussion on the amendment, Senator McKamy was called to the chair, and pending the prolonged discussion, President Pro Tem. Hanger returned to the chair.

Senator McKamy moved that the bill be recommitted.

No action on the motion.

PENDING BUSINESS SUSPENDED.

On motion of Senator Griggs, the special order of business (Senate bill No. 44) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 121.

The Chair laid before the Senate

Senate bill No. 121, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State to supervise, lease and rent lands in the lakes, bays and inlets within tide water limits along the Gulf of Mexico; to authorize the expenditure of the funds received from such sources for certain purposes; giving concurrent jurisdiction to peace officers over certain boundaries of water, and declaring an emergency."

Senator Griggs offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the word "mineral" wherever found in the bill and correct the wording of the bill by reason of such amendment.

TERRELL,  
BRACHFIELD,  
STONE,  
GRIGGS,  
LOONEY,  
STAFFORD.

The amendment was adopted.

The bill was read second time and passed to engrossment.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Hale the Senate, at 1 o'clock p. m., adjourned until tomorrow at 10 o'clock a. m.

APPENDIX A.

(Committee Reports.)

Committee Room,  
Austin, Texas, January 25, 1905.  
Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 70, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company to sell the line of railroad now owned by it, extending from the city of Dallas to Sabine Pass, with the franchises and other properties thereunto appertaining, to any railroad company heretofore incorporated under the laws of this State which does not own or have under its control a parallel or competing line, or to any railroad company which may be hereafter incorporated under the laws of this State with power to operate a railroad between the city of Dallas and Sabine Pass, and to authorize any such railroad company to purchase, own and operate said line of railroad with the franchises and other property thereunto appertaining."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with attached amendment.

McKAMY, Chairman.

Amend the bill by adding after the word "thereto" in section, the following:

Provided, That the said Texas and New Orleans Railway Company shall, in addition to the conditions of said bill hereinbefore stated, be required to carry free of charge over its lines all members of either branch of the Legislature of the State of Texas, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Commissioner of General Land Office, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Insurance, Statistics and History and members of the Railway Commission, each for the time which said parties shall respectively hold a commission as officers of the State of Texas as above named.

Said officers shall need no further evidence of their right to said free transportation other than to present their certificates of election properly certified by the Secretary of State of the State of Texas.

And in addition to the foregoing requirements they shall carry free of charge all Sheriffs of the State of Texas and said Sheriffs shall need no other evidence of their rights to said free transportation than the certificates of their election duly certified by the County Judge and Commissioners Court of the county of which he is Sheriff.

Committee Room.

Austin, Tex., Jan. 25, 1905.

Hon. Geo. D. Neal, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 47, a bill to be entitled

"An Act to authorize the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase the railroads and all other property of the Cane Belt Railroad Company, now owned and hereafter acquired, and to operate the same under the charter of the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company as part of its own lines, with the right to extend the said road and to construct branches therefrom by amendment of its charter under the General Laws of the State of Texas; and to authorize the corporation or corporations, person or persons, now or hereafter owning the said property to sell the same to the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company and until such purchase is made to authorize the lease by the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company of the railroad and other properties of said other company."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass with attached amendment.

McKAMY, Chairman.

Amend the bill by adding after the word "thereby" in Section 6, the following:

"Provided, That the said Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Company shall, in addition to the conditions of said bill, hereinbefore stated, be required to carry free of charge over its lines all members of either branch of the Legislature of the State of Texas, the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, State Treasurer, State Comptroller, Commissioner of the General Land Office, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Commissioner of Insurance, Statistics and History and members of the Railway Commission, each for the time which said parties shall respectively hold a commission as officers of the State of Texas, as above named.

"Said officers shall need no further evidence of their right to said free transportation other than to present their certificates of election properly certified by the Secretary of State of the State of Texas.

"And in addition to the foregoing requirements, they shall carry free of charge all Sheriffs of the State of Texas, and said Sheriffs shall need no other evidence of their right to said free transportation than the certificate of their election duly certified by the County Judge and Commissioners Court of the county of which he is Sheriff."

Amendment to Senate bill No. 47, adopted.

Amendment to Senate bill No. 70, adopted.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, January 26, 1905.

Hon. George D. Neal, President of the Senate:

Sir: Your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 132, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 32 of the Special Laws of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, creating a road law for Henderson county, and being entitled 'An Act to create a more efficient road law for Henderson county, creating the office of county road superintendent, prescribing his qualifications and duties; providing for working county and State convicts and delinquent poll taxpayers on public roads; rewards and penalties for escaped convicts; for the appointment and duties of road overseers, and fixing amount of their pay, and prescribing penalties against road overseers, hands and road superintendent, and prescribing the duties of the County Attorney, Grand Jury and District Judge in seeing its provisions enforced; fixing width of public roads and providing how they shall be worked, graded, etc.; for the building of bridges, culverts, etc., by the lowest responsible bidder, the plan for which is furnished by the county superintendent; for the hiring of teams, tools and wagons by the county superintendent and overseers, and relieving of hands by paying \$4.00 per annum, and for opening up two first class roads running east and west and north and south through the county seat; and for the appropriating for the taxes collected in each commissioners precinct; fixing the ages of persons liable to work on the road; providing for the levy of road and bridge tax, and the issuance of bonds for road and bridge purposes; and fixing the bonds of the county superintendent and road overseers, and penalties to be recovered in case of a breach thereof; and providing that in cases where there is a conflict in this and the General Laws of the State, this supersedes the General Law, and where there is no conflict, the General Law still remains in force, adding sections 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f, 8g, 8h, 8i, 8j and 8k thereto, and providing pay for the commissioners court and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and that same be not printed.

MARTIN, Chairman.

#### APPENDIX B.

The following are the speeches of Senators McKamy and Skinner, nomi-

nating Senator C. A. Culberson to succeed himself as United States Senator. Senator McKamy said:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Senate:

If there is one virtue possessed by the people of the South, and particularly of Texas, which stands out boldly and appeals to the civilized world more than another, it is their appreciation and commendation of the labors of a public servant fearlessly and faithfully performed. It has been provided that upon this day the Representatives of this great Commonwealth in legislative session assembled, carrying out the instructions given them by the people expressed at the ballot box shall select from among the many gifted and noble sons of Texas some one to represent us in the Senate of the United States. In obedience to the instructions given me by my people and feeling profoundly the responsibility of the commission which I bear, I esteem it a privilege and a pleasure to present to you for election to that high and responsible position the Honorable Charles A. Culberson of Dallas county as his own successor, a man whom all Texas has delighted to honor, and whom, while honoring has reflected honor upon herself, a man who is in all respects a product of the Old South, born on southern soil and taught from infancy to revere and love her institutions and traditions, a tireless student of her history, well informed as to her resources, her condition and her needs, profoundly devoted to her people and thoroughly in accord with her laws and in hearty sympathy with the principles which underlie her system of government. Summoned from the private walks of life in the full flush of manhood he answered to the call of duty and has served you successfully and with distinguished ability as District Attorney, as Attorney General, as Governor and as United States Senator. In conflict with the strongest partisans, the ablest counsel and the profoundest statesmen, whether on the hustings, at the bar or in the forum, he has demonstrated his ability to measure lances with all comers, however knightly and well tried, and in every conflict has maintained unimpaired the honor of his people and the rights of his State.

The people of Texas have sent to the United States Senate many men noted for their bravery, their intellect and their statesmanship, and in that hall made famous by association of the brightest minds on earth, which has echoed to the matchless eloquence of Webster, Clay and Calhoun, none of them have lost their luster by com-

parison with representatives from other States. Houston, the soldier, statesman and patriot, Rusk, Henderson, Ward, Wigfall, Maxey and Coke, who at a time which tried men's souls wrested this State from the hands of the despoilers and turned her face to the east that rising generations might in their magnanimity forget the past, and looking to the future make of it the great commonwealth, which was intended by the founders it should be.

Reagan, the grand old man whose life has been interwoven with the saddest, sweetest, and yet the most glorious pages of our history, who is yet spared to live among us as an inspiration to those who may come after him.

Mills, the great apostle of tariff reform, and whom we pray may yet live to see his fondest hopes realized.

Chilton, the conservative, broad-gauged and patriotic son of East Texas, and Bailey, who with his vast fund of knowledge and power in debate, makes him a fit companion for the man whom we today select as his own successor.

In all the aggregations of men who have assembled from time to time in the Senate of the United States, who because of their illustrious genius and superb intellectuality, stand among men as the mountains among the hills, none in my judgment in point of intellectuality, in finished scholarly attainments, in patriotism or in usefulness, has in any manner outstripped or surpassed the man whom the Representatives of a great people this day seek to honor, but in all the cardinal virtues which we have been taught to emulate he stands out in bold relief as one of the loftiest peaks in a range of lofty mountains.

Senator Skinner, seconding the nomination, said:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Senate:

I would consider myself derelict in the discharge of a duty owed to the Democracy of the senatorial district I have the honor to represent in this honorable body should I fail to join the Senator from Dallas county in presenting the Hon. Chas. A. Culberson for election to the United States Senate to succeed himself. My district borders upon the county in which the distinguished gentleman has his residence.

I desire to correct the Senator from Dallas in saying that Senator Culberson is of Dallas county. Senator Culberson is of Texas; his greatness is such as to cause county lines to vanish when his name is mentioned.

I realize that nothing I can say could

add anything to the distinction already enjoyed by this favorite son of our Commonwealth; still I think it not inappropriate to express for myself and my people the pride we feel in claiming him as our fellow-citizen, and join in presenting him for re-election to the high and important office of United States Senator. Texas has been extremely fortunate in the unbroken line of patriotic statesmen who have represented her in this house of our Federal Congress, and I am persuaded that when history shall make up its record the deeds and achievements of Culberson and Bailey will bear favorable comparison with any who have preceded them in faithful and efficient service of the people.

As Attorney General, as Governor and United States Senator, the record of Mr. Culberson is characterized by that wisdom, fidelity and patriotism which distinguish him as the real statesman. A study of his character and a knowledge of his splendid ability readily explain why the Democracy of Texas have honored him with the highest preferment at their disposal. With all the classic excellence that embellished the statesmanship of the Old South, he possesses also the vigorous and aggressive manhood of the New South, and he exemplifies a type of civic virtue which is the satisfaction and pride of the great people he represents. I doubt not that the stranger in the Federal Capital who sees and hears this illustrious exponent of Texas Democracy must form an exalted opinion of the people who have commissioned him as their public servant.

Conservative in his boldness, cautious and profound in applying the immortal principles of Democracy as taught by Jefferson to the complicated issues of government constantly arising and demanding solution, resolutely daring in the assertion of convictions deliberately formed, he has demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of his constituents the skill and safety of his leadership. Tested and true, faithful and fearless, thoughtful and thorough in the performance of every official duty, he has won the abiding confidence and love of his people. Few men in all the history of Texas have received such unstinted testimony of popular trust and affection. In honoring him his people have reflected credit upon themselves. His fidelity and devotion to their interests entitles him to their love and confidence. He has at no time in his public service disappointed them. When difficulties have confronted him he has met them with courage and wisdom. When the people have expected much of him he has risen to

the full height of their expectation. He has passed through the most trying ordeals without losing a friend or gratifying an enemy. He has allowed nothing to swerve him a hair's breadth from the course pointed out by his own judgment and conscience. Public censure and criticism have utterly failed at any time to deter him in carrying out policies he believed to be for the public good. He has proved himself in every test the friend of right and the enemy of wrong, and because of his excellence in manhood, statesmanship and patriotism, the Democracy of Texas delights to honor him. As his neighbor and fellow-citizen I have great pride and satisfaction in the presentation of the Hon. Chas. A. Culberson for re-election to the high and responsible position of United States Senator from Texas.

#### FIFTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,

Austin, Tex., Friday, Jan. 27, 1905.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment, President Pro Tem. Hanger in the chair.

Roll call, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Barrett.	Hawkins.
Brachfield.	Hicks.
Chambers.	Hill.
Davidson.	Looney.
Decker.	Martin.
Faulk.	McKamy.
Faust.	Paulus.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Smith.
Grinnan.	Stafford.
Hale.	Stokes.
Hanger.	Stone.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Harper.	Willacy.

Absent,

Beaty.

Absent—Excused.

Holland.

Meachum.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Sears.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Faulk the same was dispensed with.

#### EXCUSED.

On motion of Senator Terrell, Senator Chambers was excused from attendance upon the Senate for last Wednesday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Hale, Senator Beaty was excused from attendance upon the Senate yesterday on account of important business.

On motion of Senator Hicks, Senator Faust was excused from attendance upon the Senate for last Monday on account of important business.

(See Appendix for committee reports.)

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

(Bills.)

By Senator Hicks:

Senate bill No. 139, a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the sale, barter, transfer or advertisement of railroad tickets, passes or other evidences of the holder's right to travel on any railroad within this State, and restricting such sale, barter, transfer or advertisement to the duly authorized agents of the railroad company issuing or selling the same; to provide for the redemption of such tickets, or unused portions thereof; to prohibit the sale, barter, transfer or advertisement for sale, barter, transfer or purchase of any railroad tickets, passes or other evidences of the holder's right to travel on any railroad within this State by any person, firm or corporation, except the duly authorized agents of the railroad company issuing or selling the same; to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this Act, and to repeal all laws in conflict herewith."

Read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Stone:

Senate bill No. 140, a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of cocaine and other drugs, to regulate the issuance of prescriptions for such drugs, to require persons selling such drugs upon prescriptions to file same and keep it subject to the inspection of the public, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof, and repealing all laws in conflict herewith."

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Public Health.

By Senator Grinnan:

Senate bill No. 141, a bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Superintendent of Public Instruction to issue certificates to persons holding diplomas issued to them by colleges, universities and institutions of learning in Texas."

Read first time, and referred to the Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senators Beaty and Griggs:

Senate bill No. 142, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe Railway Com-